

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1112

By Beavers

A RESOLUTION to recognize Phyllis Robinson on the occasion of her retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of public service; and

WHEREAS, Phyllis Robinson is one such estimable person who has served with distinction for thirty-five years in the field of education; and

WHEREAS, having served with acumen and alacrity as principal of Stoner Creek Elementary School in Mt. Juliet since August of 1991, Mrs. Robinson will soon be taking a much deserved retirement; and

WHEREAS, during her illustrious tenure at Stoner Creek Elementary, Phyllis Robinson has coordinated the remodeling of classrooms and the construction of a new gymnasium in 2007; and

WHEREAS, in 1998, piloted and implemented the Beacon Remedial Literacy Program at Stoner Creek Elementary, which became a county-wide program and has since been presented to numerous other school systems across the United States; and

WHEREAS, prior to being principal at Stoner Creek Elementary, Phyllis Robinson rendered sterling service at a variety of elementary schools in Jackson, Knoxville, Dalton, Georgia, and Mt. Juliet, devoting thirty-two of her thirty-five years in education to the students of Wilson County; and

WHEREAS, the daughter of Herman and Joita Alexander, Phyllis Robinson graduated from Union University in 1971, received her Master of Education from Middle Tennessee State University (MTSU) in 1978, and her Administration and Supervision Endorsement from MTSU in 1988; and

WHEREAS, a voracious student, she completed her Master's Plus Thirty through MTSU and Cumberland University in 1994; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Robinson lends her time, talents, and leadership abilities to numerous professional organizations, including the Wilson County Administrators Association and the Tennessee Association for School Supervision and Administration; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards or accolades, she was nominated for Tennessee Principal of the Year in 1998, was listed in the *Who's Who Among Top Executives* in 1998, and was named Wilson County Teacher of the Year in 1986; and

WHEREAS, her many professional achievements aside, Mrs. Robinson enjoys the love and companionship of her husband, Bill Robinson, their sons and daughters-in-law, Chris and Alicia Robinson and Michael and Mellissa Robinson, and their four grandchildren, Regan, Audrey, Luke, and Kendall; and

WHEREAS, Phyllis Robinson exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout her estimable career, she has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of her colleagues and students alike; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we extend to Phyllis Robinson our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in her future endeavors as we reflect on her exemplary career in education.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.